company would not fund any project without prior approval of the Government;

(b) whether a further condition that investment by the holding company in India in any venture shall be subject to the prescribed approval under relevant Rules and Regulations governing such investment was imposed;

(c) whether the holding company set up by Pepsi Co. Inc. viz. Pepsi Co. India Holdings has made investments in any venture, if so, the names of each such company or concern and the investments made in each of them; and

(d) whether prior approval was sought by Pepsi Co. India Holdings for each such investment, in accordance with the terms of the Government approval?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MANMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

'SCICI role in financing deep see fishing sector'

912. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether SCICI has abandoned its primary role of financing the shipping and deep-sea fishing sector;

(b) if so, reasons therefor;

(c) whether its functions in the last two years can be merged in ICICI or SCICI subsidiaries; and

(d) steps proposed to consider abolition of SCICI?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI MANMOHAN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise, in view of (a) above.

(c) and (d) SCICI has reported that the question of merger with ICICI or for that matter with any other financial institution does not arise as SCICI has an important role to play as an independent project-lending institution with special focus on assisting shipping, fishing and other related sectors.

Newspapers registered with DAVP

913. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the number of newspapers registered with DAVP for the purpose of advertisements in all languages of the counry as on 30th June, 1995 (language-wise)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): There were 5322 newspapers/ magazines in DAVP's panel as on 30.6.95. Language-wise number is given below:—

S. No.	Language	No. of publication in DAVP panel
1.	English	259
2.	Hindi	3604
3.	Urdu	450
4.	Punjabi	165
5.	Marathi	121
6.	Gujarati	111
7.	Sindhi	22
8.	Assamese	34
9.	Bengali	225
10.	Oriya	59
11.	Tamil	66
12.	Telugu	67
13.	Malayalam	67
14.	Kannada	53
15.	Sanskrit	7
16.	Nepali	3
17.	Mizo	2
18.	Khasi	3
19.	Konkani	2
20.	Manipuri	2
	TOTAL	5322